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Draft decision submitted by the President of the Council, Ivan Šimonović (Croatia), on the basis of informal consultations

Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Guinea-Bissau

At its 44th plenary meeting, on 25 October 2002, the Economic and Social Council, recalling Council resolution 2002/1 of 15 July 2002 and Council decision 2002/302 of 4 October 2002, on the establishment of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on African Countries Emerging from Conflict, decides:

(a) To establish an Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Guinea-Bissau to examine its humanitarian and economic needs, and review relevant programmes of support and prepare recommendations for a long-term programme of support, based on its development priorities through the integration of relief, rehabilitation, reconstruction and development into a comprehensive approach to peace and stability, as well as provide advice on how to ensure that the assistance of the international community is adequate, coherent, well coordinated and effective and promotes synergy;

(b) To appoint the Permanent Representatives to the United Nations of South Africa, Guinea-Bissau, Brazil, the Netherlands and Portugal to the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Guinea-Bissau and to appoint the Permanent Representative of South Africa to the United Nations as Chairperson of the Group;

(c) That the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Guinea-Bissau will invite the participation in the work of the Group of the Permanent Representatives to the United Nations of Croatia, in his capacity as President of the Economic and Social Council, the Gambia, in his capacity as Chairperson of the Group of Friends of Guinea-Bissau, and Mauritius, in his capacity as Chairperson of the Ad Hoc Working Group of the Security Council on Conflict Prevention and Resolution in Africa;

(d) To request the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Guinea-Bissau to submit a report on its recommendations to the Council by mid-January 2003.

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